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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (MRN 14834 VICE 4834)

DEPARTMENT PASS AID--DISASTER RELIEF

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAID, IT, US

SUBJ: ANOTHER EARTHQUAKE IN FRIULI

1. NEWS SERVICES ARE REPORTING NEW EARTHQUAKES WITH EPICENTERS IN FRIULI REGION THAT STRUCK AT APPROXIMATELY 1630 GMT AND 1645 GMT SEPTEMBER 11. FRAGMENTARY INFORMATION INDICATES THAT QUAKE WERE IN THE MAGNITUDE OF 7-9 ON THE MERCALLI SCALE. INITIAL REPORTS INDICATE ONE DEAD AND AN UNKNOWN NUMBER INJURED. EARLY DAMAGE REPORTS SUGGEST THAT BUILDINGS MOST HARD STRUCK WERE THOSE WEAKENED IN MAY 6 QUAKE.

2. AMCONSUL TRIESTE HAS JUST INFORMED THE EMBASSY THAT ITALIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE ALREADY PROVIDED A BRIEFING ON THE CURRENT SITUATION TO THE COMMANDER OF AVIANO. ITALIANS NOT AWARE AT THIS POINT OF A LARGE NUMBER OF CASUALTIES AND CONFIRMED INFORMATION ABOUT PROPERTY DAMAGE CONTAINED IN PARA. ONE. ITALIANS HAVE NOT RPT NOT REQUESTED ANY USG ASSISTANCE AT THIS TIME.

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3. PRESS REPORTS INDICATE THAT QUAKE WERE FELT AS FAR SOUTH

AS FLORENCE AND INTO AUSTRIA(PRINCIPALLY AROUND KLAGENFURT).

4. AMCONSUL TRIESTE OFFICERS PLANNING TO TRAVEL INTO
STRICKEN AREA SEPTEMBER 12.BEAUDRY

NOTE BY OC/T: AID,DHA,EB,HEW,SCA,SCSE TAKE AS ORIGINAL.

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